

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Group Art Unit: 3623
Examiner: Neil R. Kardos
Attorney's Docket No.:.....MS1-3956US
Title: ..Systems and methods for approximating optimal distribution via networked systems

RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 4, 2010

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In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated August 4, 2010, in connection with the above-identified application, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Fees will be paid by credit card through the EFS Web; however the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency of fees and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account Number 12-0769.

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